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**Jeffrey Shuren,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Health Resources and Services Administration**

**Notification of a Class Deviation of Grants Policy Directive Part 2.04**

**AGENCY:** Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Grants Policy Directive Part 1.03, the Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT) has been granted a class deviation from the competition requirements contained in the Grants Policy Directive Part 2.04 to provide an additional year of funding without competition for Health Center Controlled Network (HCCN) Initiatives funded under Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Lumsden, Director, Division of Health Information Technology State and Community Assistance, Office of Health Information Technology, Health

Resources and Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, 7C-22, Rockville, Maryland 20857; telephone number: 301-594-4472; fax number: 301-443-1330.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330(e)(1)(C), 42 U.S.C.254b (as amended).

**Background**

OHIT serves as the HRSA Administrator's principal advisor for promoting the adoption of and implementing health care information technology for the medically underserved, underserved and other vulnerable populations, ensuring that key issues affecting the public and private adoption of health information technology are addressed (e.g., privacy and security issues, standardization, and interoperability). The HCCNs are key partners in enabling HRSA to help adopt and implement the President's Health Information Technology Initiative in the safety net community. The HCCNs support the creation, development, and operation of networks of safety net providers to ensure access to health care for the medically underserved populations through the enhancement of health center operations. The HCCNs routinely perform core business functions for their safety net members across their marketplace, State, or region. The core business functions range from electronic health records, credentialing and privileging programs, utilization review and management, and clinical quality improvement. They provide these

functions at or below marketplace cost to their members to increase efficiencies, reduce costs, and improve health care quality for underserved and uninsured populations. As such, the HCCNs are key to achieving the President's goal of assuring that every American in the Nation will have an electronic health record by 2014.

**Justification for the Exception to Competition**

The creation of OHIT was part of HRSA's new priorities related to HIT and it is necessary that HRSA have an opportunity to ensure that its new HIT strategy and resources are reflected in its grant programs. Because OHIT was just established on December 27, 2005, and only became fully staffed in May 2006, there has been inadequate time to develop a new strategy to promote HIT in the safety net community and to establish funding priorities that are in line with the new office's goals.

The OHIT has granted 18 HCCN grants a one-time 12-month extension (with funds) of the current budget period, which expires August 31, 2006. This will avoid disruption of the HCCNs infrastructure and any impairment to the accomplishment of their work plans that would likely result from a competitive reallocation of funds without careful planning and advanced notice. All future funding for these activities will be based on a full and open competition that will focus on the most effective utilization of available resources in support of the Administration's new HIT objectives.

Grantee name	State	12 month extension
South Cove CHC, Inc. ....	MA ....	\$86,788
SW Virginia Community Health System .....	VA ....	57,859
Keystone Rural Health Center .....	PA ....	70,611
Aaron E. Henry CHC .....	MS ....	57,859
Cook Area Health Services .....	MN ....	62,487
Horizon Health Care, Inc. ....	SD ....	86,788
Mariposa Community Health Center .....	AZ ....	57,859
Asian Health Services .....	CA ....	86,788
Southwest Virginia Community Health .....	VA ....	167,742
Health Choice Network .....	FL ....	173,576
Neighborhood Health Care Network .....	MN ....	173,576
Central Oklahoma Integrated Network System .....	OK ....	88,900
Colorado Community Managed Care Network .....	CO ....	128,646
Community Health Center Network .....	CA ....	173,576
Klamath Health Partnership .....	OR ....	173,576
Collier Health Services, Inc. ....	FL ....	82,237
Wasatch Homeless Health Care, Inc. ....	UT ....	159,111
Oregon Primary Care Association .....	OR ....	162,022
		2,050,000

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**Elizabeth M. Duke,**

*Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Office of AIDS Research Advisory Council.

The meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

*Name of Committee:* Office of AIDS Research Advisory Council.

*Date:* October 25, 2006.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* A Report of the Director addressing OAR initiatives. The topic of the meeting will focus on the newly restructured NIH-Sponsored AIDS Clinical Trials Networks as a national resource.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 5635 Fishers Lane, Terrace Level Conference Center, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Contact Person:* Christina Brackna, Executive Secretary, Office of Aids Research, Office of the Director, NIH, 2 Center Drive, MSC 0255, Building 2, Room 4W15, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402-3555, [cm53v@nih.gov](mailto:cm53v@nih.gov).

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <http://www.nih.gov/od/oar/index.htm>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: September 25, 2006.

**Anna Snouffer,**

*Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, SBIR Topic 213 Phase II "Portable e-Technology Tools For Real-Time Energy Balance Research"

*Date:* October 26, 2006.

*Time:* 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate contract proposals.

*Place:* NIH Events Management, Executive Plaza North, 6130 Executive Boulevard, Conference Room C, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Marvin L. Salin, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, National Cancer Institute, Special Review and Logistics Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, 6116 Executive Boulevard, Room 7073, MSC 8329, Bethesda, MD 20892-8329, 301-496-0694, [msalin@mail.nih.gov](mailto:msalin@mail.nih.gov).

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Cancer Institute; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the meeting of the President's Cancer Panel.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(9)(B), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended, because the premature disclosure of information and the discussions would likely to significantly frustrate implementation of recommendations.

*Name of Committee:* President's Cancer Panel.

*Date:* October 23, 2006.

*Open:* October 23, 2006, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
*Agenda:* Promoting Healthy Lifestyles to Reduce the Risk of Cancer.

*Place:* University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center, 401 Hilltop Avenue, W.T. Young Library, Room 1-62, Lexington, KY 40506.

*Closed:* October 23, 2006, 4:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* The Panel will discuss the Promoting Healthy Lifestyles to Reduce the Risk of Cancer and discuss potential topics for the 2007/2008 series.

*Place:* University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center, 401 Hilltop Avenue, W.T. Young Library, Room 1-62, Lexington, KY 40506.

*Contact Person:* Abby Sandler, PhD, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Building 6116, Room 212, 6116 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-451-9399.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the comments to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The comments should include the name, address, telephone number and, when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: [deainfo.nci.nih.gov/advisory/pcp/pcp.htm](http://deainfo.nci.nih.gov/advisory/pcp/pcp.htm), where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.382, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention